

In our family, we...

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Respect each other even while playing <i>Monopoly</i>	Ask before we take the last piece of food	Are willing to talk about anything
Are honest with each other all the time		Don't snitch to the po'po' if we are planning an international art heist
Greet each other at the beginning of each day	Respect our kaumātua	
Don't swear at each other	Listen well	Celebrate our culture
Quote <i>Napoleon Dynamite</i> (the movie) years after it was popular	Tell whoever made the meatloaf that the meatloaf is the best meatloaf ever	
	Stand up when visitors leave	Believe that online connection can never replace real life connection
Eat at the table - unless it's a picnic because it's too high to reach when sitting on a blanket		Refer to older people by using Mr or Mrs
Comfort and support each other when things go badly	Claim that vegemite/marmite is better	Honour 'shot gun' calls
Embrace Te Reo Māori	Offer to help with the dishes even if we don't want to help with the dishes	
Have each other's backs	Pray before meals but not necessarily breakfast, unless it's a special breakfast	Will never kick our sister/brother out of the family group chat

Our family charter

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Walk visitors to the gate when they leave

Forgive each other

Stick up for each other

Attempt to give more than one-word answers when describing how our day was

Talk to each other face-to-face, not through technology, when we're in the same room

Tag each other in funny memes

Settle arguments without physical or verbal attacks

Celebrate birthdays and special occasions regularly (or more specifically, annually)

Cheer each other on, especially at public sports events

Attempt to share everything, except contagious illnesses

Fist bump babies and high-five dogs

Care the right amount for animals and our environment

Stand up when visitors arrive

Let mum or dad know when we're leaving the house or going to bed (either-or, not both)

Empty the dishwasher if we said we would empty the dishwasher

Apologise for how we contributed to things

Take our shoes off at the door, even if someone says it doesn't matter

Surrender our charger to the person with the lowest battery

Do/don't leave the dishes to drip dry

Also wear clean socks everyday due to the last thing*

*See above' to make it really clear

Don't share toothbrushes

Say hi to our neighbours apart from

(that guy is creepy)

Claim that Kevin Costner is the best actor ever because we know it makes dad happy

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Know that being the oldest doesn't always make you right - it just makes you taller

Use our skills to help each other and other people

Sometimes pretend mum isn't home when she is because she's too tired for visitors

Sing the Māori part of the national anthem at the same volume as the English part

Make sure that our home is a place of warmth, where others feel welcome

Make eye contact with the person who is being telephoned to gauge whether they want to take the call or not

Refer to vacuuming as 'hoovering'

Sing - loud, in public

Say we don't like Australians, but we know it's just a joke and some of them are okay